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For: ARRANGEMENT COMPRISING A LOW VOLTAGE
POWER SWITCH AND A SWITCHING GAS DAMPER
PROVIDED WITH A CARRIER ELEMENT AND USED
FOR THE LOW VOLTAGE POWER SWITCH

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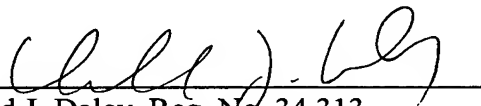
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	US 6,844,514 B2	01/18/2005	BACH et al			
	6,100,778	08/08/2000	DEYLITZ			
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	EP 0 437 151 A1	07/17/1991	EUROPE			Yes	
	DE 298 07 119 U1	06/18/1998	GERMANY			Yes	
	DE 1 954 066	04/29/1971	GERMANY				No
	DE 35 41 514 A1	05/27/1987	GERMANY			Yes	
	DE 100 33 936 A1	01/17/2002	GERMANY				No
	DE 199 20 042 C1	11/02/2000	GERMANY			Yes	
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	DE 100 36 370 A1	01/31/2002	GERMANY			Yes	

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